## **REMARKS**

Claims 24, 26, 27, 31, 41, 42, 45-50, and 53 are pending in this application. By the present response, it is noted that claims 1-23, 25, 28-30, 32-40, 43, 44, and 51-52 are canceled.

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